

C wherein at least one of the first connector^{and} or the connecting tube of the first storage container has an identifier detectable by the detector device.

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insert C1
insert C2
5. (Amended) A dialysis machine comprising:
a preparation device for preparing dialysis solutions, the preparation device
including a detector device, a first connection^{of the dialysis machine,} and a second connection^{of the dialysis machine,} first and
second interchangeable storage containers for solution ingredients, and a first
connector^{for connecting} the first storage container to the first connection and a
second connector^{for connecting} the second storage container to the second
connection, the first connector or a connecting tube of the first storage container
having a bar code detectable by the detector device, wherein the bar code is
arranged on the first connector so that bars of the bar code run circumferentially
around the connector.

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8. (Amended) The dialysis machine as recited in claim 7, further comprising a
signaling unit or cutoff device connectable to the analyzer unit, the cutoff device for
cutting off a flow of at least one of a solution^{and} or a solution ingredient.

REMARKS

I. Introduction

Claims 1 to 9 are pending in the present application. In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are allowable, and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicants note with appreciation the acknowledgment of the claim for foreign priority and the indication that all certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

II. Rejection of Claims 1 to 9 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1 to 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention. The Office Action contends that "[c]laim 1 is indefinite for failing to particularly point out what is the structural relationship between a first connection